

# CONSERVATION CROSSFEED

Notes from AFCEE/ECC

Jan 2000

## CHANGES IN SECTION 404 PERMITS

The Army Corps of Engineers has proposed five new nationwide permits to replace the widely used **nationwide permit 26**, which was scheduled to **expire Dec. 30** (21 Jul 99 *Federal Register*). The Corps has since published that they will issue new nationwide permits to replace NWP26 by 14 Feb (15 Dec *Federal Register*). These new permits will be effective from **14 Apr 00 through 11 Feb 2002**.

## "Celebrate Arbor Day!"

For lots of ideas about how to observe and celebrate Arbor Day in your community, write for our free "Celebrate Arbor Day!" booklet. Send your name and address and the words "Celebrate Arbor Day! Booklet" to: The National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410  
[http://www.arborday.org/what/how\\_to\\_celebrate.asp?event](http://www.arborday.org/what/how_to_celebrate.asp?event)

## CONFERENCES:

**29-30 Mar 2000.** NATIONAL MILITARY FISH AND WILDLIFE ASSOCIATION (NMFWA), Chicago IL. More information at: [www.nmfwa.org/](http://www.nmfwa.org/)

**8-10 Aug 2000.** BASH (Combined Canada and US), Minneapolis/ St.Paul International Airport (MSP), Minnesota. More information is available at: [www.birdstrike.org/meetings/mn.htm](http://www.birdstrike.org/meetings/mn.htm)

**2000.** Annual Meeting of the American Society of Agronomy, Crop Science Society of America and soil Science Society of America. Minneapolis, MN. More information at: [www.asa-cssa-sssaa.org](http://www.asa-cssa-sssaa.org)

**Border Collies for Birdstrike Control** – The Border Collie Rescue Web site is a good source of information on the use of dogs to control geese and other birds at airports and military airfields: [birdstrike.bcrescue.org/](http://birdstrike.bcrescue.org/)

**BASH Conference**— This annual gathering is of particular interest to military and civilian personnel responsible for airfield operations, wildlife managers, land-use planners, and anyone interested in reducing wildlife strike hazards to aircraft. In addition to paper and poster presentations, the meeting will have hands-on demonstrations and activities during a field trip to Minneapolis/ St.Paul International Airport. A strike reduction training session rounds out the program. More information is available at: [www.birdstrike.org/meetings/mn.htm](http://www.birdstrike.org/meetings/mn.htm)

**Brown Tree Snake** – For a great source of information on the brown tree snake, visit Crash's Brown Tree Snake Pages [www.coxwebs.com/bts/index.htm](http://www.coxwebs.com/bts/index.htm)

## USAF NATURAL/CULTURAL RESOURCES PROGRAM IMPROVEMENT WORKSHOP

17-21 APR 2000

A Natural/Cultural Resources Program Improvement Workshop is set for the spring of 2000 for MAJCOM participants. The purpose of the workshop is to review and make recommendations on improving specific NR/CR program areas, and to develop new program initiatives. The outcome of this workshop is to develop an outline for the revision of AFI-32-7064 and AFI 32-7065. This will be accomplished through interactive work sessions in breakout groups focusing on proposed discussion topics. If you, as a N/C Resource Manager, have topics of concern, pass them along to your MAJCOM representative.

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## ON A CULTURAL NOTE

### Curation Update

Artifact and record curation and storage is a large and growing problem in the DOD. Most installations have collections that are inadequately labeled, deteriorating, or stored in ways that do not comply with 36 CFR 79. Solutions to the problem are being addressed by the DOD Curation Integrated Product Team. Long-term costs and efficient processes will be determined and refined during pilot programs, so that partnerships can be developed throughout the US for curation and storage of existing and future DOD collections and records.

Questions and clarifications? Contact Dr. James Wilde.



### TRAINING COURSES LISTED

ECC staff has organized a list of Natural and Cultural Training courses available through government agencies. For a list of links, go to: [www.afcee.brooks.af.mil/ec/cnr/training.htm](http://www.afcee.brooks.af.mil/ec/cnr/training.htm)

In April 1999, the Conservation and Planning directorate reorganized and shifted the Natural and Cultural Resources personnel to a new division -- Consultant. The points of contact are the same with the same phone numbers; only the office symbol changed. Below is a listing of AFCEE personnel and their respective specialties together with Air Staff Program Managers.

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Wilde, James	Archeologist	240-6546 / <a href="mailto:james.wilde@brooks.af.mil">james.wilde@brooks.af.mil</a>	Archeology, Historic Surveys and Inventories, Native American Issues
Anderson, Mary	Botanist	240-3808 / <a href="mailto:mary.anderson@brooks.af.mil">mary.anderson@brooks.af.mil</a>	Wetlands, Plant surveys, including endangered species
Friese, Dan	Natural Resources Specialist	240-3823 / <a href="mailto:daniel.friese@brooks.af.mil">daniel.friese@brooks.af.mil</a>	Wildlife management and endangered species
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